IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Mail Stop: Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time for responding to the Official Action dated November 18, 2003. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of \$110.00 or whatever fee may be required for such an extension to Account No. 03-2060 for which purpose a duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. If any additional fees are due in connection with this application, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee to deposit account 03-2060.

Respectfully submitted,

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